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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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| Attorney Docket No. | VT0291-US1 |
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| First Inventor | R. Jason Hemphill, et al. |
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| First Invention | Non-Uniform Etching of Anode Foil to |
| Title | Produce Higher Capacitance Gain Without |

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| Express Mail Label No. | TB62146710XUS | Sacrificing Foil |
| | | Strength |

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) *(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)*
 2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
 See 37 CFR 1.27.
 3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 17]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table,
 or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
 4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 1]
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 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
 a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
 b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
 (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 c. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
 Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
 named in the prior application, see 37 CFR
 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
 6. ☐ Application Data Sheet See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (*Appendix*)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all necessary*)
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ paper
 - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i) Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent
17. ☐ Other

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. _____
 or application information Examiner _____ Group Art Unit _____

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Examiner Name

Group Art Unit

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METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to.

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Account
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Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
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- ☐ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money
Order ☐ Other

FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Fee Fee Fee Fee Description

Code (\$) Code (\$)

Fee Paid

101 710 201 355 Utility filing fee

710

106 320 206 160 Design filing fee

107 490 207 245 Plant filing fee

108 710 208 355 Reissue filing fee

114 150 214 75 Provisional filing fee

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 710.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims 25 -20** = 5 x 18 = 90
Independent Claims 4 -3** = 1 x 80 = 80
Multiple Dependent =

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103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20

102 80 202 40 Independent claims in excess of 3

104 270 204 135 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid

109 80 209 40 ** Reissue independent claims
over original patent110 18 210 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20
and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 170.00)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**Large
Entity
Fee
Code (\$)Small
Entity
Fee
Code (\$)

Fee Description

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105 130 205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath

127 50 227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or
cover sheet

139 130 139 130 Non-English specification

147 2,520 147 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination

112 920* 112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to
Examiner action113 1,840* 113 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after
Examiner action

115 110 215 55 Extension for reply within first month

116 390 216 195 Extension for reply within second month

117 890 217 445 Extension for reply within third month

118 1,390 218 695 Extension for reply within fourth month

128 1,890 228 945 Extension for reply within fifth month

119 310 219 155 Notice of Appeal

120 310 220 155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal

121 270 221 135 Request for oral hearing

138 1,510 138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding

140 110 240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable

141 1,240 241 620 Petition to revive - unintentional

142 1,240 242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)

143 440 243 220 Design issue fee

144 600 244 300 Plant issue fee

122 130 122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner

123 50 123 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)

126 180 126 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt

581 40 581 40 Recording each patent assignment per
property (times number of properties)146 710 246 355 Filing a submission after final rejection
(37 CFR § 1.129(a))149 710 249 355 For each additional invention to be
examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))

179 710 279 355 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

169 900 169 900 Request for expedited examination
of a design application

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| REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) | First Named Inventor | R. Jason Hemphill, et al. | |
| | Title | Non-Uniform Etching of Anode Foil to Produce Higher Capacitance Gain Without Sacrificing Foil Strength | |
| | Atty Docket Number | VT0291-US1 | |

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May 4 2001
Date


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